

Table F-2. Median salary of full-time employed 1995 and 1996 master's degree recipients, by sex, race/ethnicity, and major field of degree: April 1997

Major field of 1995-96 S&E master's degree	Total	Sex		Race/ethnicity			
		Male	Female	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander
All science and engineering fields.....	\$42,000	\$47,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$39,000	\$47,000
Major type							
Total science.....	37,400	42,600	33,000	35,000	35,000	32,000	47,000
Total engineering.....	48,500	49,000	47,500	50,000	48,000	46,000	47,500
Major field							
Computer and information sciences.....	50,000	50,000	48,000	50,000	42,000	S	50,000
Life and related sciences, total.....	32,000	32,000	32,300	32,000	S	S	S
Agricultural and food sciences.....	31,000	S	S	31,000	S	S	S
Biological sciences.....	32,000	31,000	32,000	31,000	S	S	S
Environmental life sciences including forestry sciences.....	36,000	32,000	S	36,000	S	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	40,000	42,000	35,500	40,000	S	S	S
Physical and related sciences, total.....	35,000	37,500	31,000	32,000	S	S	44,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	31,500	39,500	28,000	31,000	S	S	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	32,000	34,000	S	31,500	S	S	S
Physics and astronomy.....	41,000	40,000	S	37,500	S	S	S
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	30,000	29,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	32,000	S
Social and related sciences, total.....	35,000	37,000	33,000	34,000	36,000	32,000	40,000
Economics.....	40,000	42,000	S	S	S	S	S
Political science and related sciences.....	35,000	37,000	34,000	35,000	S	S	S
Sociology and anthropology.....	28,000	S	25,000	28,000	S	S	S
Other social sciences.....	36,000	36,000	35,000	35,000	36,000	S	S
Engineering, total.....	48,500	49,000	47,500	50,000	48,000	46,000	47,500
Aerospace and related engineering.....	48,000	49,000	S	49,500	S	S	S
Chemical engineering.....	49,000	49,000	49,000	52,000	S	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering.....	40,000	42,000	35,000	40,000	S	S	37,500
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	54,000	53,400	55,000	55,000	S	S	54,000
Industrial engineering.....	49,000	49,000	S	50,000	S	S	S
Mechanical engineering.....	47,000	46,000	S	47,200	S	S	46,000
Other engineering.....	47,500	47,700	46,000	49,000	S	S	44,000

KEY: S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

NOTE: Salary data for the following groups are not included in the table: self-employed persons, full-time students, and people whose principal job was less than 35 hours per week. Salary data are for principal job only.
Data on American Indians/Alaskan Natives are included in the total, but are not shown separately due to insufficient sample size.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Studies, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 1997